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To: Examiner Dzung D. Tran
Group Art Unit No. 2633
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From: Phillip E. Miller

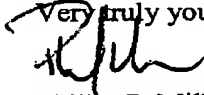
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Re: Filing of Amendment and Excess Claim Fee Payment Letter
U. S. Patent Application Serial No. 10/765,955
Our Ref: KUD.036DIV

Dear Examiner:

Enclosed please find an Amendment and Excess Claim Fee Payment Letter which is filed in response to the Office Action dated June 29, 2005, which should place the above-referenced Application in condition for allowance.

Thank you in advance for your kind consideration of this case.

Very truly yours,

Phillip E. Miller

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In re Application of

Yukio Michishita

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Group Art Unit: 2633

Filed: January 29, 2004

Examiner: Tran, Dzung D.

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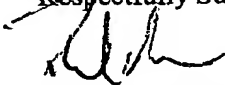
Transmitted herewith is an Amendment in the above-identified application. The fee for excess claims added by the amendment has been calculated and is transmitted as shown below.

	<u>Number of Claims Previously Paid for</u>	<u>Number of claims After Amendment</u>	<u>Excess Claims</u>	<u>Rate</u>	<u>Fee Due</u>
Total claims	21	26	5	\$50.00	250.00
Indep. claims	4	4	0	\$200.00	0.00
Total Additional Fee for this Amendment					\$ 250.00

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the amount of \$250.00 to Attorney's Deposit Account No. 50-0481.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency in fees or to credit any overpayment in fees to Attorney's Deposit Account No. 50-0481.

Respectfully Submitted,

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AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.111

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated June 29, 2005, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

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